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An English translation of  
PCT Article 34 Amendment

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Attached hereto is an English translation of the claims amended  
according to PCT Article 34.

IN THE CLAIMS

(I) Claims 1, 12, and 18 to 20 were amended.

(II) Claims 2, 4, and 14 are cancelled.

CLAIMS

Claim 1. (Amended) An antiaging composition comprising the following components (A) and (B):

5 (A) at least one member selected from the group consisting of ascorbic acid 2-glucoside, ascorbyl tetraisopalmitate, L-ascorbyl phosphate, and a salt thereof; and

10 (B) at least one purine nucleic acid-related substance selected from the group consisting of adenosine 2'-monophosphate, adenosine 3'-monophosphate, adenosine 5'-monophosphate, cyclic adenosine 3',5'-monophosphate, and a salt thereof.

Claim 2. (Cancelled)

15 Claim 3. An antiaging composition according to Claim 1, wherein the component (A) is ascorbic acid 2-glucoside or a salt thereof.

Claim 4. (cancelled)

20 Claim 5. An antiaging composition according to Claim 1, wherein the component (B) is adenosine 5'-monophosphate or a salt thereof.

25 Claim 6. An antiaging composition according to Claim 1, wherein the component (A) is ascorbic acid 2-glucoside or a salt thereof and the component (B) is adenosine 5'-monophosphate or a salt thereof.

30 Claim 7. An antiaging composition according to Claim 1, wherein the component (A) is contained in a proportion of 0.05 to 10%(w/w) based on the total amount of the antiaging composition.

Claim 8. An antiaging composition according to Claim 1, wherein the component (B) is contained in a proportion of 0.05 to 10%(w/w) based on the total amount of the antiaging composition.

Claim 9. An antiaging composition according to Claim 1, wherein the component (B) is contained in a proportion of 0.5 to 1000 parts by weight per 100 parts by weight of the component (A).

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Claim 10. An antiaging composition according to Claim 1, wherein the composition is a cosmetic, or an externally-applied medical or quasi-medical drug.

10 Claim 11. An antiaging composition according to Claim 1, wherein the composition is used as a composition for alleviating pigmentation.

Claim 12. (Amended) A method for potentiating an antiaging action of ascorbic acid, a derivative of ascorbic acid, or a salt thereof,  
15 the method comprising using at least one member selected from the group (A) consisting of ascorbic acid 2-glucoside, ascorbyl tetraisopalmitate, L-ascorbyl phosphate, and a salt thereof, in combination with at least one purine nucleic acid-related substance selected from the group (B) consisting of adenosine 2'-monophosphate,  
20 adenosine 3'-monophosphate, adenosine 5'-monophosphate, cyclic adenosine 3',5'-monophosphate, and a salt thereof.

Claim 13. A potentiating method according to Claim 12, wherein the component (A) is ascorbic acid 2-glucoside or a salt thereof.

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Claim 14. (cancelled)

Claim 15. A potentiating method according to Claim 12, wherein the component (B) is adenosine 5'-monophosphate or a salt thereof.

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Claim 16. A potentiating method according to Claim 12, wherein the component (A) is ascorbic acid 2-glucoside or a salt thereof, and the component (B) is adenosine 5'-monophosphate or a salt thereof.

35 Claim 17. A potentiating method according to Claim 12, wherein

the component (B) is used, in combination with the component (A), in a proportion of 0.5 to 1000 parts by weight per 100 parts by weight of the component (A).

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Claim 18. (Amended) A method for retarding skin-aging comprising applying to the skin at least one member selected from the group (A) consisting of ascorbic acid 2-glucoside, ascorbyl tetraispalmitate, L-ascorbyl phosphate, and a salt thereof, and  
10 at least one purine nucleic acid-related substance selected from the group (B) consisting of adenosine 2'-monophosphate, adenosine 3'-monophosphate, adenosine 5'-monophosphate, cyclic adenosine 3',5'-monophosphate, and a salt thereof.

15 Claim 19. Use of at least one member selected from the group consisting of ascorbic acid 2-glucoside, ascorbyl tetraispalmitate, L-ascorbyl phosphate, and a salt thereof, and at least one purine nucleic acid-related substance selected from the group consisting of adenosine 2'-monophosphate, adenosine 3'-monophosphate, adenosine  
20 5'-monophosphate, cyclic adenosine 3',5'-monophosphate, and a salt thereof for the manufacture of an antiaging composition.

Claim 20. (Amended) Use of at least one purine nucleic acid-related substance selected from the group consisting of adenosine  
25 2'-monophosphate, adenosine 3'-monophosphate, adenosine 5'-monophosphate, cyclic adenosine 3',5'-monophosphate, and a salt thereof for potentiating an antiaging action of ascorbic acid 2-glucoside, ascorbyl tetraispalmitate, L-ascorbyl phosphate, and a salt thereof.

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